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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) by Express Mail is the incomplete patent application of Loren P. Hoboy; Nick A. Wolf; Tonya F. Yoder, entitled PROCESS TO SELECTIVELY RECOVER METALS FROM WASTE DUSTS, SLUDGES AND ORES.

- X   1a. This application is a continuation of prior Application No. 09/478,625, filed January 5, 2000, priority from the filing date of which is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120.
- X   1b. This application also claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. 60/156,163, filed September 27, 1999, the benefit of which is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.
- X   2. An application consisting of 59 pages of specification, including the claims and the Abstract of the Disclosure, 7 sheets of drawings, and 18 sheets of tables is attached.
- X   3. A copy of the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney filed in the above-noted prior application is attached. [Note: This application is a continuation or divisional, no new matter has been added to this application, and no new inventors have been named.]
- X   4. The prior application was assigned to Chester W. Whitman, by an Assignment recorded at Reel 013522/Frame 0763.
- X   5. Small entity status is asserted for this matter.
- X   6. No fee is enclosed.
7. Please note the accompanying Request and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i). I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at

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- X   8. A filing date in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 is requested. The Express Mail Certificate appears below.

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